

**Office of Population Affairs
Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Programs**

**Care and Prevention Demonstration Projects
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Introduction

There are 43 currently-funded AFL care programs entering their first, fourth and fifth years of implementation. All care programs are innovative examples of effective and appropriate partnerships between community organizations and the Federal government. Most projects have developed components that reach out to fathers as well as teen mothers, encouraging and teaching them to play vital roles in their children's lives.

These programs build on what is already known about preventing unhealthy risk behaviors and sexually transmitted diseases. They also enhance good parenting skills and help to reduce child abuse and neglect.

Care and Prevention Demonstration Projects

Centers for Youth and Families

Little Rock, Arkansas

The Centers for Youth and Families is a non profit social service agency that provides a wide array of services. The Young Moms/Healthy Families program targets high risk pregnant and parenting teens, their infants, the fathers of the infants, siblings, and other family members. In-home visiting provides parenting information, modeling, assistance in finding preventive and emergency health care, transportation to and from pre and post-natal check-ups, and education on a wide array for issues including nutrition, child development and independent living skills. Additionally, a Young Dads program provides community parenting education and support groups for young fathers. Services are provided in collaboration with many local agencies. The program employs a strong Developmental Assets approach.

* Grant: \$250,000

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Healthy Connections, Inc.

Mena, AR

Healthy Connections, Inc. provides comprehensive health, education and social services to pregnant and parenting adolescents through a case management and home visitation approach conducted by paraprofessionals. This project serves a Medically Underserved Area (MUA) in Western Arkansas near the Oklahoma State line - the Ouachita Mountain

Region of Western Arkansas. This approach is carried out through home visits to ensure that prenatal visits, well baby checks, and parenting education are attended, in many cases through transportation of clients to and from appointments. The project is working with adolescent parents to improve parenting skills, reduce child abuse and neglect, reduce the incidences of repeat pregnancy and increase the amount of emotional and financial support for young children.

*Grant: \$200,000

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Vista Community Clinic

Vista, California

Participants in this project have a "team" which includes their family and other service providers. Facilitators work with individual teens and their teams to identify strengths, needs, and solutions for a "care plan." The needs and strengths of the child and family are assessed and a child and family team is assembled to facilitate the developed goals and objectives. Services are brokered to meet the needs identified by the child and family and are obtained and monitored through agencies in the provider network or "natural supports" also identified by the family. Emphasis is placed on the teen as the primary focus for care, rather than the family, but this will only be a matter of emphasis. The teen and their team meet monthly to review the plan which takes into account the teen's language and culture. This approach increases care for children in the context of families, their culture, and their preferences. The Vista Community Clinic's three clinical sites and Health Promotion programs serve as the referral agencies providing wraparound services to reduce repeat pregnancies. Clients are primarily Hispanic and staff are bi-lingual.

* Grant: \$195,000 (No-Cost Extension)

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Children's Hospital and Health Center

San Diego, California

The targeted population for this care program is primarily Hispanic and encompasses counties of Northern San Diego with high rates of teen pregnancy. Based on a home-visiting model utilizing a team comprised of an outreach worker, nurse and social worker, the program provides comprehensive and individually based case management and educational services. In addition to home visits, clients are recruited into parenting workshops with an educational component and an opportunity to practice parenting skills in front of program staff and peers. A young fathers support group and additional outreach workers have been added to this successful program model. Transportation is provided to and from groups and program activities.

* Grant: \$270,000

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San Mateo County Health Department - New
San Mateo, CA

The San Mateo County Health Department is a public health department with a corps of experienced, professional public health nurses, community workers, benefits analysts, health educators, social workers et al that links all core and supplemental services in a way that clients will not only have these services available, but will have professionals broker the services for them through social marketing, case management, home visitation, continuous follow-up, etc. This project, the San Mateo County Adolescent Family Life Project, is administered by the Division of Public Health (DPH). This Division has the experience and expertise to provide comprehensive health, education and social services to not only pregnant and parenting adolescents, but their infants, siblings, family members, male partners, young fathers, parents and extended family members. Clients are involved in all aspects of the services, including planning, evaluation and feedback. Services are linked with other health and social services provided by San Mateo County through other funding. There are several unique features to this Project, including multi-cultural and multi-lingual staff, extensive use of the Developmental Assets approach and especially the availability of mental health services for all clients. The AFL Project serves a mix of minority female clients, Filipinas, Latinas, Chinese, Pacific Islanders and African Americans, between the ages of 13 and 18 and males between the ages of 16 and 26. The target population serves “hot spot” areas described by the California Department of Health. The Project focuses not only on teenage pregnancy but also on poverty, low income clients, and linguistic isolation in a County where over 42 % of residents were born outside the United States, 61% of Asians speak a language other than English and for 80% of Latinos, the main language is Spanish. The Project uses persons of various ethnic and cultural backgrounds to match the clients and meet their needs. The Project has developed a very intensive evaluation plan focused on results.

* Grant: \$350,000

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La Clinica de la Raza
Oakland, California

La Clinica de la Raza is a private non-profit community health center with 30 years of experience providing comprehensive health services. The Teens and Tots project offers on-site prenatal care, primary care for males, and expanded case management and parenting education services for all Clinica Alta Vista (CAV) teen clinic patients. The clinic physician and mid-level providers provide a full range of diagnostic, educational and procedural interventions at regularly scheduled prenatal visits and a Nurse Case Manager provides referrals and follow-up as a key link between inpatient and outpatient care. With the AFL grant the CAV has enhanced case management services by hiring case managers to ensure young mothers and fathers receive necessary services and to strengthen rapport between the clinic and adolescent clientele.

* Grant: \$300,000

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CHI Mountain Region Foundation - St. Anthony's Hospitals
Colorado Springs, Colorado

The "Shared Beginnings" program has increased the intensity of existing care services, expanded its access to Adam County and enhanced its male involvement component. The "Shared Beginnings" program is designed to encourage a healthy pregnancy and early childhood with improved outcomes for mother and child and to promote the development of healthy, self-sufficient families through parenting education, mentoring and encouraging use of community resources. It presently targets pregnant and parenting teens aged 19 and younger, including young fathers of children born to teen mothers, of northeast and west communities of Metro Denver and Denver County. Services are extended to serve southwest Adams County. The program supports teen parents through case management, mentoring and education from pregnancy through each child's third birthday.

* Grant: \$267,145

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Hill Health Corporation
New Haven, Connecticut

Hill Health Corporation is a private, non-profit, federally qualified community health center that provides comprehensive health services including dental, medical, psychiatric, mental health, and related services to inner-city residents in the Greater New Haven area. The Young Parents Outreach Program (YPOP) is an enhancement project for adolescents that utilizes a comprehensive case management model developed by the Teenage Pregnancy and Parenting Project in San Francisco. The program's services are delivered via a therapeutic relationship developed between the outreach worker and the teen parent. It is through this relationship that the teenager "buys into" values such as health, education, positive parenting practices, and sexual responsibility.

* Grant: \$240,000

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Delaware Adolescent Program, Inc
Wilmington, Delaware

Delaware Adolescent Program, Inc. (DAPI) was founded by physicians, social workers, educators, and community advocates as one of the first comprehensive alternative programs in the nation. For more than 31 years, Delaware Adolescent Program, Inc. (DAPI) has served pregnant and parenting teens. The program currently provides an alternative academic setting for pregnant and parenting teens who require or request the support of a smaller, more personalized classroom environment with on site medical, social service personnel and daycare staff who specialize in the concerns of pregnant adolescents and their families. The project has established an enhanced follow-up strategy for returning students, curriculum enhancement, and a Grandparents program.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Deborah Bailey; 302-652-3445

Children's National Medical Center - NEW

Washington, District of Columbia

The Centers for Youth and Families is a private, nonprofit hospital that provides health care for infants, children and adolescents. The local care demonstration project entitled, "Enhanced Healthy Generations Program" offers services at the hospital in Northwest D.C. and at community-based satellite health centers in the underserved areas of Southeast Washington, D.C. and Adams Morgan. The Generations Program targets high risk pregnant and parenting teens, their infants, fathers/male partners, and other significant family members. Comprehensive primary health care for adolescent parents and their children is provided through a multidisciplinary approach. In an effort to increase access and decrease motivational barriers to care among teenage mothers, fathers and significant family members, this program provides enhanced case management and counseling, mental health intervention, and home outreach with increased emphasis on engaging teen fathers and other family members. To enhance self-efficacy, strengthen relationships, and encourage healthy decisions, an innovative model of mental health service delivery augments this patient-centered approach. Ultimately, the program strives to increase the repeat pregnancy interval, increase abstinence and responsible sexual behavior, support goal setting, and strengthen positive father and family involvement.

* Grant: \$350,000

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Washington Hospital Center

Washington, District of Columbia

The "Teen Alliance for Prepared Parenting" (TAPP) is expanding its care services throughout the District of Columbia. The TAPP model employs the premise that subsequent pregnancy prevention is more likely to occur within a context of health services and an appropriate mix of social services and competency-building activities. Participants receive prenatal care, health education, parenting classes, and counseling services. Postpartum services consist of family planning and Maternal Child Health services; individual, group, and couple education and counseling; and peer and adult mentoring. Referrals are made for pediatric care, mental health, social and family support services, GED preparation, and job training and childcare. TAPP provides services from pregnancy through at least 24 months postpartum. Activities with fathers are coordinated with the Fatherhood Institute.

* Grant: \$290,000

* Contact: Loral Patchen; 202-877-0748

BETA Center, Inc.

Orlando, Florida

BETA Center, Inc., a private and non-profit organization, has served Greater Orlando for nearly 25 years. The organization began as a grassroots effort to provide counseling, basic needs, and shelter to women facing a crisis pregnancy with an emphasis on adolescents. With a mission of providing education and support to strengthen families, BETA Center has grown to serve over 25,000 children, adolescents and parents in the tri-

county Greater Orlando area (Orange, Seminole and Osceola Counties). BETA's on site Adolescent Pregnancy & Parenting Program is the largest center serving this target audience in the tri-county area and has served as a model for programs in other geographic locations. This agency utilizes a school curriculum that provides free on-site developmental child care for clients' infants and toddlers. The program also provides a prenatal attachment program for pregnant clients, therapeutic counseling which includes using the creative arts as a therapeutic tool, case management, parenting education, and home visitation to curb school absenteeism. Home visitation is also used for crisis intervention and for post-partum visits to evaluate young mothers immediately after the birth of their child.

* Grant: \$300,000

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Metro Atlanta Youth For Christ - NEW

Atlanta, Georgia

The Parenting Adolescents Social Services And Generational Education (PASSAGE) Project provides Care services to pregnant and parenting adolescents and their male partners residing in DeKalb and Fulton Counties in Georgia. This project represents a collaborative effort between the Metro Atlanta Youth For Christ and SafeHouse Outreach, both are faith-based agencies reaching the needs of at-risk populations. The project consists of a unique partnership between the faith community and the social services community to address the immediate pregnancy-related needs as well as strengthening the young families. The PASSAGE project provides small group lessons, comprehensive case management, and assistance with such issues as transportation and childcare, so as to improve the quality of life for the project participants.

* Grant \$350,000

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Illinois Department of Human Services - NEW

Chicago, Illinois

The Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) is conducting a Care services demonstration project which serves inner-city Chicago youth. IDHS operates a nationally recognized model of services for custodial teen parents who receive TANF or Medicaid. This project expands and enhances existing programming by extending care services to teen fathers, siblings and other family members of the teen mother. The project expects to serve 150 low income families. The overarching goal of the project is to strengthen the interaction between the teen parents and their child, the teen mother's relationship with her extended family and the grandparent-baby relationship. The child's parents will learn greater self-sufficiency through school completion and job readiness. The grantee expects to reduce teen pregnancy among the younger siblings of the teen parents.

* Grant: \$350,000

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The Night Ministry
Chicago, Illinois

This project serves at-risk youth who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless in the City of Chicago. The program includes street outreach, medical screening, medical care for the pregnant teen, well-baby and pediatric care for infants and toddlers, counseling and case management services, as well as a host of therapy opportunities including: individual, group and multi-family. There are also opportunities for training in the areas of vocation, education, parenting, and health education.

* Grant: \$300,000

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Access Community Health Network
Chicago, Illinois

The Chicago Adolescent Parenting Program (CHAPP) has created a comprehensive, coordinated system of care for pregnant and parenting adolescents and their families that integrates the medical, case management, and peer support models of care within a community health care setting. The grantee partners with a local youth service agency to provide the peer support components in the target clinics at the time of the teen mother's pre- and post-natal appointments. Through this project, the grantee has expanded their services to reach additional neighborhood health clinics in targeted areas of Chicago to deliver prenatal and postnatal health care to young pregnant and parenting females.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Angela Ellison; 773-257-6433

Siouxland District Health Department
Sioux City, Iowa

The Healthy Opportunities for Parents Experience Success (HOPES) program serves adolescent pregnant and parenting teens in the tri-state areas of northwest Iowa, southeast South Dakota, and northeast Nebraska, serving both urban and rural families. The project is a collaborative of medical and social service Healthy Families USA home visitors provided through the Siouxland District Health Department, Crittenden Center, Lutheran Services of Iowa, and the Native Family Resource Center. The program uses a home visitation/ child abuse prevention model of delivering services through Family Service Workers from the prenatal period through delivery and after the child is born. The program collaborates with several agencies to provide diverse services in different areas, including medical care; prenatal, parenting, and early child education; psychoeducational support for teens and their families; education completion; job training; and housing assistance.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Shelby Kroona; 712-279-6119

Garrett County Partnership/Child Families
Oakland, Maryland

The Garrett County Partnership for Children and Families is a 501(c)3 organization that serves as the Local Management Board (LMB) for Garrett County. In 1998, the Partnership negotiated a five-year Community Partnership Agreement with the State and County to improve result for children and families. The Enhanced Teen Services (ETS) project enhances Healthy Families Garrett County (HFGC) services to pregnant and parenting adolescents through the use of multiple strategies to address the diversity of adolescent parents needs, their partners and their immediate family members. The enhanced services include strengthening the development of a nurturing environment, promotion of decision-making and social skills, and facilitating access to a continuum of job readiness programs. The HFGC-ETS project employs a home visitation model based on the nationally accredited Healthy Families American (HFA) program and the "Blueprints" Prenatal and Infancy Nurse Home Visitation.

* Grant: \$150,000

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Community Adolescent Resource Center, Inc.
Holyoke, Massachusetts

The Care Center, founded in 1986, is a non-profit, multi-service center for pregnant and parenting teens and their children that has provided a variety of education and support services to low-income teen mothers and their children in the greater Holyoke area. The Care Center is one of the largest programs for pregnant and parenting teens in Massachusetts and has been instrumental in helping thousands of Holyoke's most isolated pregnant and parenting teens surmount a magnitude of emotional and educational obstacles in order to further their education, become employed, and create a better life for their families. The "New Directions" program combines an innovative, educationally enhanced curriculum with comprehensive support services designed to significantly increase the capacity, interest, and drive of young parents to excel academically and to develop the skills and motivation they need to lift their families out of a lifetime of poverty and despair.

* Grant: \$280,000

* Contact: Anne Teschner; 413-532-2900

Family Services, Inc.
Lawrence, Massachusetts

Established as a relief society shortly after the founding of the city of Lawrence, Massachusetts in 1846, Family Service, Inc. remains true to its original mission to strengthen individuals and families by building skills for successful home, work and community life. The agency is especially committed to reaching under-served and at-risk populations who face the stresses of poverty, family violence, aging, and linguistic and cultural isolation. Led by Family Service, Inc., the Lawrence Adolescent Family Life (AFL) Partnership is a collaboration of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Community Day Care and the Greater Lawrence Family Health Center. The Partnership implements a case management model for care services to

pregnant and parenting teens, premised on professional experience and recent research concerning adolescent development, linking the currently fragmented care services in the city of Lawrence.

* Grant: \$290,000

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Children's Hospital

Boston, Massachusetts

Project RAFT (Raising Adolescent Families Together) provides culturally appropriate comprehensive and individualized care for young parents and their families at Children's Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, MA. Parenting groups are fully integrated with prenatal care, child/adolescent health services, mental health, life skills training, father's programming, and community services and are provided continuously from the prenatal period through age three. The intervention is based on a combination of the "Nurturing," "Teen Parents and the Law" (TPAL) and "Fatherhood Development" curricula. Goals of the group intervention are to enhance parenting skills, help participants optimize family interaction, and build self-efficacy.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Joanne Cox; 617-355-7701

Roca, Inc. - NEW

Chelsea, Massachusetts

Roca, Inc. and the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Community Health Centers are partners in implementing the Circle of Care project in Chelsea and Revere, two communities with some of the highest birth rates in the state. A team of providers, youth workers, and counselors outreach to and provide home visiting services and group work in a comprehensive, holistic and seamless manner. After birth, home-based visits are implemented and focus on topics such as child development, well baby and safety, education on babies and children, parenting skills, reduction in isolation, and access to community resources. In addition, home visitors also provide facilitation of two weekly groups and three school based pregnancy and parenting classes. A father outreach worker utilizes relentless outreach and transformational relational skills to engage male partners and/or fathers of program infants. Activities and groups designed to break down barriers and offer opportunities for these young men are also implemented.

* Grant: \$349,380

* Contact: Molly Baldwin; 617-889-5210 ext. 221

Minneapolis Public Schools

Minneapolis, Minnesota

The Minneapolis Public Schools provide intervention through school-based intensive case management among pregnant and parenting teens who are either enrolled in traditional high schools without teen parent programs; enrolled in present high school teen parent programs but are lacking appropriate prenatal and case management services; or are teen fathers enrolled in participating high schools who need additional support. The

overall goal of the project is to develop a broad based, comprehensive case management system to support improved outcomes for pregnant and/or parenting adolescents and their children in a high school setting. Through high quality case management, participants establish and complete their educational goals through receiving support, and learning parenting, self-care and life skills.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Barbara Kyle; 612-588-0850

Truman Medical Center - NEW

Kansas City, Missouri

The Truman Medical Center, Incorporated, StartRight Teen MOMS project enhances the services in the adolescent clinic by targeting indigent youth from the inner city areas of Kansas City and low-income suburban areas through several programs. Teen mothers with input from the Mentor Coordinator, develop an Individualized Family Service Plan to identify goals and objectives to be achieved. This program continues to build on the successes of previous OAPP grants, while integrating mentoring, a curricula component, and a support group for fathers of the babies, as well as support groups for siblings of the teen mothers and fathers.

* Grant: \$350,000

* Contact: Kay Connelley; 816-556-3635

Atlantic County Division of Public Health

Northfield, New Jersey

The Teen Parent Partnership (TPP) is a community-based "birth through three" early intervention project and a unit of the Atlantic County Division of Public Health. This home visitation model utilizes nurses and social workers, teen psychoeducational groups, CPR classes, pregnancy and parenting classes, and group activities. Each client is assigned a nurse from the Atlantic County Division of Public Health and a social worker from the Family Services Agency, and these two providers alternate visits with the client in order to provide health and social services. TPP offers home visitation and support to pregnant and parenting teens, fathers or partners, as well as youth development for siblings and other family members. The project has extended services to include pregnant and parenting teens from all areas of Atlantic County except Ventnor, Atlantic City, and Brigantine.

* Grant: \$225,000

* Contact: Marilyn Budd; 609- 645-5935

Camden Board of Education

Camden, New Jersey

The School Based Youth Services program of the Camden Board of Education (SBYS), provides a multi-disciplinary school-based model of services to Camden High School and Woodrow Wilson High School, with a great deal of intensity and community support. The project provides case management and counseling, resource and referral services, weekly support groups, academic monitoring, tutoring, fatherhood services,

curriculum development, early pregnancy identification and prenatal care facilitation, child development centers, and parenting classes. The concept to SYBYS is to create a "one stop shop" service delivery to adolescents attending these schools. The project also offers a summer program that provides employment initiatives and recreational activities. The program has been able to incorporate a program for young fathers through support group meetings, career counseling sessions, and case management services. The project provides comprehensive and adolescent and child-friendly care services to pregnant and parenting adolescents in the Camden schools. Project staff are well networked with community resources, particularly community based childcare services.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Sharon Shields; 856-541-0253

Hidalgo Medical Services

Lordsburg, New Mexico

The Centers for Youth and Families is a non profit social service agency that provides a wide array of services to residents of the rural communities in Southwestern New Mexico. The local care demonstration project, "Growing up Strong Together" is for pregnant and parenting teens, their infants, fathers/male partners and other family members. Clinical, educational, mentoring and support services are provided by highly-qualified health providers, a case manager, expert educators, counselors, promotoras and peer mentors. Services include comprehensive intake and assessment, referrals and follow-up, enrollment in all available programs, medical treatment, individual and family counseling, advocacy, and a variety to classes and support groups with emphasis on no unplanned repeat pregnancies and increased educational attainment.

* Grant: \$350,000

* Contact: Donna Flenniken; 505-542-8384 ext. 416

Children's Hospital

Buffalo, New York

The Children's Hospital of Buffalo, NY is a hospital-based medical center with collaborative effort from Kaleida Health. As the lead agency, CHOB expanded and enhanced already present programs to include a Teen Tot Clinic and schools based clinics. The school-based program operates in two high schools, Kensington High School, primarily African Americans students on the eastside of town; and Grover Cleveland, primarily Hispanic students on the westside of town. The CHOB covers all core and supplement services as well as treatment of diseases and programs for disease prevention. Additionally, the CHOB uses the EPIC (Every Person Influences Children) program/curriculum, which is a parenting skill-building program for teen mothers and fathers. The most exciting part of this program/curriculum is that some teen fathers have shown interest and have been participating, primarily in the identified schools. The evaluation plan focuses on measuring set outcomes. A comparison group is used.

* Grant: \$290,000

* Contact: Dalinda Condino; 716-878-7710

YWCA of Rochester and Monroe County – NEW

Rochester, New York

The Young Parents Support Services, provided by the YMCA of Rochester and Monroe counties, is enhancing their on-site services at four Rochester district highschools.

Intensive, strength-based case management; health education; life skills training; career exploration and vocational preparation; parenting education; and recreational and social activities are just a few of the enhancements included in this new AFL Care project.

Family support specialists work with families of at least 100 teen mothers; grandparent groups and family recreational activities are offered; and outreach to adolescent fathers and linkages to fatherhood programs are implemented.

* Grant: \$326,613

* Contact: Mary Lou McCloud; 585-368-2248

United Child Development Services

Greensboro, North Carolina

United Child Development Services has expanded its existing "Linkages for Prevention" program by providing intensive nurse home visitation services to additional first-time, expecting adolescent and adolescent parents. Trained nurses link families to community resources aimed at promoting health family functions and maximizing maternal and child health and development. Nurses conduct bi-weekly visits with the parenting adolescents until the infant reaches two years old. "Linkages for Prevention" has a fatherhood component as well. Its goal is to increase paternal involvement and to improve relationships between the parents for the betterment of the children. The males are offered one-on-one assistance and mentoring, group sessions, educational workshops, home visits and family outings.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Sharon Sprinkle; 336-378-7700

Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma - NEW

Durant, Oklahoma

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian tribe with over seventy programs providing services to a Native American population in an economically deprived area. The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma in collaboration with the Choctaw Nation Community-Based Social Work Program, Choctaw Nation Health Services Authority, and partnering agencies provides a comprehensive and integrated program to reduce repeat pregnancies; improve health outcomes for mother and infant; increase healthy parenting skills; provide opportunities for education and job training; and increase healthy relationship skills. Intensive case management by a nurse and a home visitation program by social workers are key components of this project.

* Grant: \$286,765

* Contact: Randy Hammon; 580-326-8304

Community Counseling Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

The Community Counseling Center is a private not-for-profit agency certified as a comprehensive community mental health center by the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health. The "New Directions" project is a community-school partnership serving pregnant and parenting students in Oklahoma City. The project works to increase the number of pregnant and parenting students who complete high school, delay a subsequent birth until after graduation, and gain employment and parenting skills necessary to create a nurturing, self-supporting family unit. The project provides a child development and parenting education program utilizing a case management and home visitation model.

* Grant: \$300,000

* Contact: Tracey Douglas; 405-605-1926

Congreso de Latinos Unidos, Inc. – NEW
Philadelphia, PA

This grantee is a community-based nonprofit organization located in North Philadelphia. The Alcanza Project utilizes a holistic youth development approach to educate and engage teen mothers and fathers in skill building activities (i.e., parenting education, career exploration, and case management) that will ensure that they thrive as individuals able to provide a healthy environment for their children. Challenged by increasing issues related to trauma and mental health in this predominately Puerto Rican teen parenting population, this project provides intensive clinical case management. An Masters level Social Worker co-serves each client with a lay case manager. The MSW addresses the psychosocial aspects of these teenagers, creating an action plan that assists the teen in building skills as well as mental health. This intervention is enriched through Congreso's ability to draw upon the services from among the agency's other 50 social service programs. In addition, through its 28 years of service to the Latino community in Eastern North Philadelphia, Congreso has established numerous partnerships. The Alcanza Care project, through these services and partnerships, enables teen parents, their children and their families to receive high quality, culturally appropriate and bilingual care.

* Grant: \$350,000

* Contact: Julie Counsler Emig; 215-763-8870 ext. 1306

Medical University of South Carolina
Charleston, South Carolina

This grantee is enhancing and expanding current in-school services available in 1 high school to include 2 other middle "feeder" schools. The services are holistic and include a youth development, school- and clinic-based, peer-supported, educational and case management model activities. The expansion allows for comprehensive medical care of the adolescent mother and her child and coordination with existing services. In the in-school portion of the intervention, students that are identified as pregnant or parenting participate in weekly group meetings, education, and family activities, service projects, individual case management and counseling, day care and referrals as needed. The medical services offered before and after delivery are comprehensive and combined with

case management activities for mother and baby. The project utilizes a holistic and "multi-disciplinary team" approach that combines both in-school and in-clinic staff to serve the needs of the clients and their children.

* Grant: \$250,000

* Contact: Janice Key; 843-876-1491

Austin Learning Academy

Austin, Texas

Austin Learning Academy is implementing a Care program for pregnant and parenting teens in collaboration with the Austin Independent School District and other community-based service agencies. The program is designed to support pregnant and parenting adolescents in completing their educational and occupational goals through child care and school collaboration; to increase their parenting capacity through group parenting classes and individual coaching; to increase the personal self-efficacy of the young women to prevent unwanted secondary pregnancies; and to increase the developmental and health outcomes of children of adolescent mothers in the program. The program is currently in Garza and Crockett High Schools and the Austin CAN Academy, a charter school. Case management and social work services are provided to pregnant and parenting youth, as well as childcare and group parenting and support classes. The commitment to the students is coupled with a coordinated approach to providing services to help the students achieve educational and personal goals.

* Grant: \$280,000

* Contact: Toni Williams; 512-457-9194

Youth & Family Alliance dba LifeWorks - NEW

Austin, Texas

LifeWorks is testing two models of service provision for pregnant and parenting adolescents against a comparison group of non-participants: a social service model of case management and linkage to educational, vocational, and mental health services through LifeWorks and a multi-agency medical case management approach coordinated through People's Community Clinic. The project also provides comprehensive services to adolescent fathers and male partners, including case management, life skills and job training services, and access to health and mental health services. The project examines the effects of the program on repeat pregnancy, prevention of sexually transmitted infections, low birth weight infants, health care and immunizations for the adolescent parent and child, involvement of male partners or adolescent fathers, involvement of family members, school attendance or completion, parenting skills, childcare assistance, mental health services, and emotional well-being. By comparing these two models of care services and adolescents who do not engage in services, knowledge will be gained regarding the relative effectiveness and efficiency of different models of care, as well as lessons regarding the challenges and strengths of each model.

* Grant: \$350,000

* Contact: Peg Gavin; 512-735-2112

Arlington Independent School District

Arlington, Texas

The Arlington Independent School District (ISD) has increased the pregnancy and parenting services provided at four high schools by adding additional sessions of programming and a young fathers counselor. The Arlington ISD implements a program for adolescent fathers and provides a public health nurse for use by all program participants. Individual and group activities provide information and guidance to participants and encourage school attendance. The AFL grant has also enabled the Arlington ISD to formalize a previously informal referral system so that pregnant and parenting adolescents may secure health care and social services for themselves and their infants. Transportation for project teens is available.

* Grant: \$320,000

* Contact: Tori Sisk; 817-492-3270

University of Utah - NEW

Salt Lake City, Utah

A tight collaboration between the Departments of Psychology and Pediatrics at the University of Utah operates an expansion of the Family Support Program by enhancing its case management services to meet the needs of the growing number of Spanish-speaking pregnant and parenting adolescents who are currently underserved in Salt Lake County. Additionally, its co-parenting program is extended to include fathers, mothers, sisters, and grandmothers. Lastly, the length of the Family Support Program is extended to provide family support through the child's first year. The length and focus of services are based on the needs of each young parent and her family. Services focus on helping co-parenting partners cope with stressors that accompany the initial adjustment to parenthood.. The specific goals of the Family Support Program are to facilitate the development of healthy and supportive communication and co-parenting skills, assist couples negotiate family planning, and support school completion and/or vocational stability. Targeted outcomes include improved co-parenting relations, positive parenting practices, reduced repeat pregnancies within the first two years post birth, and high school retention/completion and/or job stability.

* Grant: \$350,000

* Contact: Paul Florsheim; 801-585-5676

Northern Virginia Urban League, Inc. Youth Services

Alexandria, Virginia

The Northern Virginia Urban Leagues' Alexandria Resource Mothers Project (ARMS) is part of the community network promoting healthy behaviors and responsible parenthood through an intensive home-visitation support model for pregnant and parenting teens, infants and toddlers, fathers or partners, and family members. ARMS, with a consortium of committed community partners, has expanded their existing services to increase the

Resource Mothers component and has developed a Male Mentor/Resource Fathers component. Furthermore, to address a myriad of issues related to teen pregnancy, the project promotes healthy birth outcomes; encourages effective parenting among teen mothers and fathers or partners; encourages effective parenting among family members involved; prevents school dropout; and discourages repeat pregnancies.

* Grant: \$300,000

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Arlington Public Schools

Arlington, Virginia

The CARING EQUATION project adds essential components to a 15 year old program for pregnant and parenting teens housed in the Arlington County school system. Prior to Adolescent Family Life (AFL) funding, over half of the pregnant and parenting adolescents in Arlington County were not enrolled in school. The new Outreach component goes into the community and finds pregnant/parenting adolescents that are not currently in school and enrolls them in the alternative program. Project activities include case management, parenting education, vocational aide for both the pregnant and parenting teen and her family, life skills training and many other components. Clients are followed for 2-4 years. An enhanced young fathers program was added with AFL funds and is facilitated by a bi-lingual facilitator. Clients are primarily immigrant Hispanic adolescents, impoverished and not in touch with the services provided in the community.

* Grant: \$290,000

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Children's Home Society of Washington – NEW

Seattle, Washington

Children's Home Society of Washington is the lead agency in a large collaborative effort to serve pregnant and parenting teens in the south and central portions of Seattle. The foundation of this care project is the Home Visitor who links participants with core services and provides training on parenting skills and healthy early childhood development. Teens receive home visiting during pregnancy and for 2 years following birth; education, employment and health services continue up to five years after program intake. Father involvement is a primary objective of this project and every effort is made to integrate this perspective into program operations. Many of the core services provided to teen mothers are also available to their male partners and/or the fathers of their babies. In addition, specific father-centered services are provided. Better health outcomes, increased education and job attainment, stronger parenting skills and healthy home environments are some of the outcomes expected from this program.

* Grant: \$350,000

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Rosalie Manor Community and Family Services – NEW
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Rosalie Manor Community and Family Services is a community-based, private, non-profit agency with a 501(c)(3) status. This grantee is implementing the Supporting Teen Families project: a home visiting prevention program for teen mothers and her support system in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin. African-American and Hispanic teen mothers under the age of 19, their parents and father of the baby and/or male partner are targeted. Activities include developing assets to form safe, healthy families and to avoid additional teen pregnancy; case management services; lessons from the “Parents as Teachers” curriculum; support/educational group sessions; nursing services; and services from a housing/employment specialist. A strong focus on fathers is also included. This multigenerational approach to home visiting services targets at least 200 families living in Milwaukee.

* Grant: \$ 350,000

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